



**FOR YOUR INFORMATION**  
by Mayor Julia Mosley

Call 301-773-7891 to contact the Mayor.  
The Mayor's door at the Community Center is open to visitors  
on **Monday evenings** from 7:30 to 9:30 PM, except holidays or  
if otherwise posted.



**President's Day**

**Monday, February 16**  
Offices Closed — No Trash  
Pickup



**2008 HOLIDAY HOUSE  
DECORATING CONTEST**  
**"BEST IN TOWN"**

3001 Hillside Ave  
2804 Laurel Ave  
3203 Tremont Ave  
3306 Bellevue Ave  
2601 Valley Way  
3123 Bellevue Ave  
6437 Forest Road  
2910 Cheverly Oaks Ct.  
3111 63rd Place  
2701 Parkway Place

3003 Crest Ave.  
3402 Cheverly Ave  
3114 Bellevue Ave  
6007 Kilmer Street  
6430 Forest Road  
3001 Crest Ave  
6006 Kilmer Street  
3002 Bellevue Ave.  
5729 Euclid St.  
3110 Bellevue

**CHEVERLY COVERLETS**

**\$30.00** 100% cotton, 2½ layers, measures approx. 48"x68". The design captures the history and spirit of Cheverly with the depiction of various sites throughout town.



**CHEVERLY  
FLAGS —**

**\$50.00** at Town Hall.

**REMEMBER - FEBRUARY IS  
BLACK HISTORY  
MONTH**

When filling out your **MARYLAND TAX RETURN**, please remember to fill in the **COUNTY AND CITY** boxes just under your address label. It is important that you print in **CHEVERLY** as your city, so that the town gets its correct share of Maryland Income Taxes.

## CHEVERLY MUNICIPAL ELECTION Monday, May 4, 2009 (7am- 8pm)

**Councilmembers** for all Cheverly's 6 wards *are up for election.*

The Office of the Mayor will be up for election in 2010.

### Candidates for Town Council must be:

- ⇒ 21 years of age,
- ⇒ a citizen of the United States, and
- ⇒ a registered voter of Cheverly, and
- ⇒ a resident of Cheverly for not less than 6 months, and
- ⇒ a resident of the ward from which they are elected  
(at least 45 days immediately preceding the date of the  
Election in the case of a write-in candidate.

### 2009 ELECTION CALENDAR

**Friday, March 20, 2009:** Last day for candidates to file nominating form

**Friday, April 4, 2009:** Voter Registration Closes (30 days before election)

**Monday, April 27, 2009:** Last day to apply for Absentee Ballot (7 days before election)

**Monday May 4, 2009:** ELECTION DAY

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS for CANDIDATES:** Filing forms may be obtained at the Town Office during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 9AM-5PM) or download the form (see below). Call 301-773-8360. Completed forms must be returned to the Town Office **no later than 5:00PM, Friday, March 20, 2009. (45 days before the Election)**

**NOTE: Pictures & Profiles of Candidates** are run in the April Newsletter. They should be submitted with the nominating petition or by the newsletter deadline (**March 20**).

- ⇒ **Candidate Profiles must be brief (no longer than 350 words).** Profiles will appear as written. They will not be edited or corrected; however, if the profile is too long, staff will have to shorten it by cutting it off at the paragraph closest to the limit.
- ⇒ **Picture should be a closeup**—will be cropped to about 2"x2"

Please submit the profile and the picture on a disk OR email separate files to [townclerk@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:townclerk@cheverly-md.gov). **Please attach them as separate files; the profile as a WORD document and the picture as a JPEG file.** Contact the Town Clerk at 301-773-8360 if you need further information.

**VOTER REGISTRATION:** Voters registered in Prince George's County are automatically registered to vote in Town elections. Call the Prince George's County Voter Registration Hotline 301-627-2811, or download registration forms from [www.elections.state.md.us](http://www.elections.state.md.us). You can also get registration forms at the Town Office. Registration Books will close on Friday, April 3, 2009.

Voters may apply for **Emergency Absentee Ballots** for medical and work related emergencies that come up during the last 7 days before election.



*Message from the Chief*  
([policechief@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:policechief@cheverly-md.gov))

Buddy Robshaw

**2008 CRIME REPORT** – In 2008, crime in Cheverly dropped for the third year in a row. There were 340 criminal incidents in the Town last year, the lowest count total since 1997. Of particular importance were dramatic drops in carjackings (-75%), sex offenses (-50%), and auto thefts (-35%). Although there was no statistical change in robberies from last year, 2008 marks the second year in a row that robberies were below the five year curve. In addition to robbery, there was no statistical change in vandalisms or theft, far and away the most frequently committed crime in Cheverly.

While these statistics certainly highlight the good work of the Department and its resident partners, 2008 also showed a disturbing trend upward in two crime categories: assaults (+42%) and burglaries/breaking and entering (+25%). Assaults in 2008 were at an unprecedented level, particularly those assaults of a domestic nature and assaults that resulted in serious injury. The particular counter to this crime is that the Department had an extremely high closure rate with very few stranger-to-stranger incidents.

B&E's were also on the rise in 2008. What is disturbing about these crimes is that, although the Department has made numerous arrests in the last two months, each of these arrests centered on a different criminal group of mostly juveniles who appeared unrelated to each other. Hindrances to the Department's abilities to close these crimes center around the fact that most victims did not record pertinent serial numbers or other identifying marks that could have made the recovery of stolen property easier and all failed to take advantage of the Department's free home security program.

2008 also highlighted the advent of two new interventions that the Department will further develop in 2009. The first was the crime task force program that was extremely effective during the summer months (just 5 robberies in June, July, and August combined), and the second was the "Cheverly Watch" Resident Radio Program. "Cheverly Watch" residents were responsible for the closure of several crimes, the arrests of at least six adults, the recovery of a number of stolen autos, and surveillance support that was unparalleled. My extreme thanks goes out to these residents who have all contributed to the increased safety of the Cheverly community.

**C-PACT/CHEVERLY WATCH Resident Radio Program Meeting** - There will be a join meeting of C-PACT (Cheverly - Citizens & Police Together), Cheverly's Neighborhood Watch Organization, and the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Program on Wed., Feb. 11, 2009, at

7:00 PM in the Policy Dept. Conference Room. We will discuss 2008 crime statistics, what plans the Department has for 2009, and how the Police Department can better integrate with both C-PACT and Cheverly Watch this year

**WE NEED YOUR VEHICLE DONATIONS** – Vehicle donations in 2008 enabled the Department to purchase new firearms, Tasers, radio equipment, and partially finance a brand new 2009 Ford Crown Victoria police vehicle. Wow!! In order to continue this trend toward purchasing new equipment, the Department needs more donated vehicles. In addition to selling these vehicles, the Department is also looking for surveillance vehicles to supplement its task force operations in 2009. The biggest advantage to donating your vehicle to the Cheverly Police Department in lieu of a number of other worthy causes is that you can actually see your donation dollars at work.

### **Crime Report for December 2008 (All Addresses Are in Hundred Blocks)**

Total Arrests for the Month: 21

Total Traffic for the Month: 204

Total Crime (Difference, YTD 2007-2008): -1%

12-01-08	1900 Hrs	6000 Euclid Street	B&E Residential
12-01-08	2042 Hrs	2500 Crest Avenue	Assault (Arrest)
12-02-08	0620 Hrs	1800 64 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Theft From Auto
12-02-08	1029 Hrs	1700 61 <sup>st</sup> Avenue	Robry Citzn (Arrest)
12-02-08	1031 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Stoln Auto (92 Nissan)
12-03-08	1030 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	B&E - Residential
12-03-08	1308 Hrs	2500 Crest Ave	B&E - Residential
12-04-08	1045 Hrs	6005 Hawthorne St	B&E - Residential
12-04-08	1434 Hrs	5800 Landover Rd	Theft
12-05-08	0706 Hrs	2300 Craftsman Cr	Theft from Auto
12-05-08	0914 Hrs	2500 57 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Theft from Auto
12-05-08	0234 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Stolen Auto (97 Plym)
12-07-08	1704 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Stolen Auto (06 Chev)
12-08-08	0234 Hrs	6000 Arbor Street	Theft
12-10-08	1414 Hrs	5800 Landover Rd	Theft
12-10-08	1900 Hrs	6400 Landover Rd	Vandalism
12-11-08	1206 Hrs	3400 Cheverly Ave	B&E Resid.(Arrest)
12-13-08	0004 Hrs	6001 Arbor Street	Theft
12-13-08	0929 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
12-14-08	0738 Hrs	6100 Landover Rd	Vandalism
12-16-08	1751 Hrs	6000 Arbor Street	Theft
12-16-08	2106 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
12-17-08	0230 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Vandalism
12-18-08	2240 Hrs	2800 Park Way	Stolen Auto (94 Linc)
12-19-08	2349 Hrs	6500 Oak Street	Stolen Auto (98 Ford)
12-22-08	1705 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
12-23-08	0125 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Robbery Citizen
12-25-08	0415 Hrs	5800 Landover Rd	Robbery Citizen
12-25-08	1253 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Vandalism
12-25-08	1938 Hrs	6400 Landover Rd	Robbery Citizen
12-27-08	0827 Hrs	3300 Bellevue Ave	Theft
12-27-08	1335 Hrs	6400 Landover Rd	B&E Residential
12-28-08	0335 Hrs	3100 63 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	Assault (Arrest)

*Message from the Chief cont'd*

12-28-08	1300 Hrs	2300 Bellevue Ave	Theft
12-28-08	1813 Hrs	1800 62 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue	Vandalism
12-28-08	2000 Hrs	3000 Lake Avenue	Theft
12-29-08	1523 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Assault (Arrest)

**PEDESTRIAN ENFORCEMENT** – The Department has recently received grant monies from the State Highway Administration for pedestrian enforcement of traffic violations along Landover Road. Enforcement will begin shortly and be very aggressive toward pedestrians who do not cross in an authorized crosswalk with a signal. This enforcement is a top priority for the Department in 2009.

**UNATTENDED VEHICLE LEFT RUNNING** - while I am aware it is ore comforting to get into a warm vehicle early in the morning, it is also illegal in the State of Maryland to leave your vehicle running and unattended, regardless of whether the vehicle's doors are locked or not. In addition, it is a safety hazard and invitation to have your car or truck stolen. On one morning in early January, I drove through the Town and found more than 20 vehicles running unattended. That is the equivalence of \$1,400.00 in Maryland State citations.

**TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS** – Residents who Email their traffic complaints, i.e., speeding, stop sign violations, parking complaints, etc., get put onto a list right away and service is usually directed toward these problems within a week. My Email address is [policechief@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:policechief@cheverly-md.gov). This same address can be used to notify me about issues in your neighborhood that need police attention. In lieu of an email, please feel free to contact me at (301) 341-1055.

**RIDE ALONGS** – Please consider riding along with a Cheverly police officer in the coming year. It is the best way to learn about crime in Cheverly, about the Department's response to it, and it also allows you to be part of the crime prevention effort in Cheverly. Thank you in advance for your support.

Report **SONIC BOOMS** to the Cheverly town Offices 301-773-8360. Please provide date, time and location.



## ***NOTICE to Rental Property Owners***

**- Eviction Law Changes** Prince George's County Council passed CB-26 into law, which made changes to the eviction process in Prince George's County. The Eviction Law Changes are in effect for single-family rentals.

The law prohibits the placement of tenant's property in a public right-of-way or on any public property. For most evictions, this law will require the owner of the property to either rent a dumpster and dump all of the tenant's property in the dumpster after removing it from the house, or hire someone to haul the tenant's property out of the house and bring it immediately to the dump or transfer station.

In any case, property owners MAY NOT leave the tenant's property at the curb. In addition, the law also states that if the tenant is present at the time the eviction is executed, the owner of the property must give the tenant a reasonable period of time (not to exceed four hours) to remove his/her property.

***Need help with YARD WORK?*** To assist our elderly, and other residents who need help with yard work, Cheverly maintains this list of teenagers who are interested in being hired for raking leaves, shoveling snow.

240-478-4622	Xavier Pinkney
301-322-1075	Dorian Dixon
301-386-0049	Andrew Teel
301-322-4952	Max & Jake Allegro
301-772-6596	Ben Hartmann
301-341-2471	James Porcari
301-537-6819	John Pooley
301-583-1028	Bryon Bamigbade & Xavier Milam
301-772-6028	Andrew & Ashley Priest
301-773-6863	Emmanuel Mitchell

Cheverly teenagers can call the town office at 773-8360 if they wish to add their names to this list.



## ACTIONS TAKEN

*Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.*

### Town Meeting—December 11, 2008

- ☐ CM Watson made motion giving town employees paid leave for 12/26/08. Vice Mayor Ford Seconded.
- ☐ CM Callahan moved to declare Town's intent to participate in the University of Md. Appeal against Concrete Plant Project, and to provide \$300 to the University to cover a portion of the filing/transcript fee. CM Watson seconded.
- ☐ CM Callahan made motion endorsing Md. State Police Active Policy Number 50 regarding aircraft and to encourage the hospital to share the policy with other helipad users. CM Schachter seconded.

### Town Meeting—January 8, 2009

Not available

### Worksession—January 29, 2009

Not available

## TENTATIVE AGENDAS

### Town Meeting—February 12, 2009

Meeting Agendas are updated on website:  
www.cheverly-md.gov and on Cheverly cable  
channel 71

Town Meeting broadcast LIVE on Cable 71 & Fios  
35. Rebroadcast everyday at Noon, 6PM & 10PM

## Governmental Section

**The Cheverly Planning Board** will be requesting assistance from Prince George's County Park and Planning for the development of a Sector Plan specific to the Cheverly area. A Sector Plan will help formalize the County's intent for Cheverly and the surrounding areas and will provide a framework for future development discussions. Members of the board attended a public hearing regarding the County Wide Master Plan for Transportation. There will be additional hearings in the future and they are open to the public. Of particular interest for the Planning Board regarding these hearings is the possible improvement to the Kenilworth Avenue/Tuxedo Road/HWAY 50/BW PKWY exchange.

## An Introduction to the 2010 Census

*Counting Everyone Once — and Only Once — and In the Right Place*

The foundation of our American democracy is dependent on fair and equitable representation in Congress. In order to achieve an accurate assessment of the number and location of the people living within the nation's borders, the U.S. Constitution mandates a census of the population every 10 years.

10 Questions, 10 Minutes to Complete .....

With one of the shortest questionnaires in history, the 2010 Census asks for name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship, and whether you own or rent your home. It takes only about 10 minutes for the average household to complete. Questions about how we live as a nation ☐ our diversity, education, housing, jobs and more ☐ are now covered in the American Community Survey, which is conducted every year throughout the decade and replaces the Census 2000 long-form questionnaire. Responses to the 2010 Census questionnaire are required by law. All responses are used for statistical purposes only, and all are strictly confidential.

To apply for a census job, call toll-free 1-866-861-2010 or visit the regional census center online at [www.census.gov/rophi/www/emply.html](http://www.census.gov/rophi/www/emply.html). More information about the 2010 Census can be found at [www.census.gov/2010census](http://www.census.gov/2010census). Contact: Monica L. Davis 215-717-1046/253-8005 (fax) 215-237-5432 (cell) e-mail: [Monica.L.Davis@census.gov](mailto:Monica.L.Davis@census.gov)

## Cheverly RECREATION COUNCIL

The next meeting will be Tuesday, **February 24<sup>th</sup>** at **7:00PM** in the conference room at the Community Center. Topics of discussion will be the April 4th Flea Market, the April 11th Easter Egg Hunt.

**Barbara will take reservations for the Flea Market starting Monday March 2nd. Tables are \$15. Call 301-773-5883.**



The Cheverly Recreation Council will sponsor the **John Dent Wilson Scholarship**. This is a

**\$500 college scholarship** awarded to a Cheverly resident who is enrolled full-time in an academic or vocational post-secondary education program for the 2009-2010 academic year. For applications please call **Judy DeLeonibus at 301-386-4251**.

## Help Plan Future Parks and Recreation Facilities *by CM Mike Callahan*

Here's your chance to let others know what kind of community centers, recreation programs, parks, trails and ball fields you want in your community. Prince George's County wants to hear from you as it develops a plan for future parks and recreation projects and open space acquisitions from the year 2010 to 40 years in the future. You can provide your input by going to [www.2010beyond.com](http://www.2010beyond.com).

The survey takes about 15 minutes and ten lucky residents will win a \$100 gift card to Giant.

## *Community Section*

**Progressive Cheverly** - The New Year brings our 2009 Membership Drive! Please renew your dues or join Progressive Cheverly today! Dues are only \$15 per person. Perhaps you are not able to squeeze one more monthly meeting into your schedule but appreciate all the work we do as an organization. Become a member and we'll put your \$15 to hard work! Perhaps you have been to one our meetings or forums and found it informative. Become a member! We are able to keep dues low but accomplish so much each year because of our strong membership support. Please mail your check, made payable to Progressive Cheverly, to our treasurer Craig Tupper at 2332 Bellevue Avenue, Cheverly, MD 20785. You can also join or renew at the February 6th Forum. As a member, you have access to our members-only e-mail discussion listserv. Learn more at [www.progressivecheverly.org](http://www.progressivecheverly.org).

**CAPS** is seeking those interested in becoming involved with the National Center for Safe Routes to School. Community leaders, parents and schools across the U.S. are using Safe Routes to School programs to enable and encourage more children to safely walk and bicycle to school. The National Center for Safe Routes to School assists communities in developing successful Safe Routes to School strategies. For more info, please visit [ <http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/> ] [www.saferoutesinfo.org](http://www.saferoutesinfo.org) and feel free to contact Chad Clay at [ <mailto:clayc02@yahoo.com> ] [clayc02@yahoo.com](mailto:clayc02@yahoo.com). More information: [ <http://www.cheverlycaps.org/> ] [www.cheverlycaps.org](http://www.cheverlycaps.org)

**The Cheverly Green Plan Committee** and the Cheverly Conservation Alliance (a consortium of environmental organizations in Cheverly including the Friends of Lower Beaver Dam Creek, Cheverly Garden Club, and Progressive Cheverly Environmental Committee) are pleased to co-sponsor a presentation by Dr. Fireovid of the University of Maryland, on "How our Economy is Destroying our World," which will address the connections between economic growth models that encourage uncontrolled and unsustainable growth and development, and the health of our ecosystems including loss of habitats and biodiversity. For more information, see the Cheverly Green Plan website: <http://cheverlygreenplan.googlepages.com/home>.

**The Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek and The Cheverly Green Plan** are co-sponsoring a survey of local birds under the auspices of the Audubon Society and the Cornell Lab of Ornithology during four days (Friday through Monday) on February 13 - 16, 2009. Anyone can participate and there are many ways to do it. One can simply observe and count birds around one's home or participate in a short hike at one of our local parks. Two public hikes are planned for Saturday and Sunday, February 14th and 15th at the Woodworth and Nature Parks respectively. The hikes start at 9:00 a.m. and will end by 10:00 a.m. The meeting place for the Saturday hike will be at the parking lot on the east side of the Cheverly Town Hall (Community Center). For the Sunday hike at the Nature Park come to the Cheverly Water Tower at the top of Tremont Ave and park on the nearby steets. You will need a pair of binoculars and to dress appropriately for the weather. Both hikes will be guided by experienced bird watchers. This is a great chance to learn about birds, your local green infrastructure and, in general, what natural areas and resources we still have available in Cheverly.

For further information please contact the local organizer, Matt T. Salo at 301-341-1261; e-mail [mtsalo1@gmail.com](mailto:mtsalo1@gmail.com). Or, if you wish to participate in the bird count on your own or on the other days, get information at <http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc/howto.html> and click on "How to Participate."

## **Cheverly Exchange** *BY CM Micah Watson*

Join Cheverly's fast growing online community group and keep up with the latest news, exchange recommendations with your neighbors on service people, the best take out, or see who's having a yard sale near by. The Cheverly Exchange is open to Cheverly residents only, is free and easy to join. Search for Cheverly Exchange on Yahoo Groups or go to [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Cheverly\\_Exchange](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Cheverly_Exchange) and join today!



# The Town of Cheverly Encourages Residential Recycling

There are many inherent valuable reasons and facts that ought to make recycling a deep-seated characteristic of our daily life. It is thought-provoking to recognize that such an effortless act impacts us all independently, as a community, as a nation and as citizens of our planet.

Every ton of mix recyclable, materials collected and disposed off at the recycling station saves the municipality forty nine dollars. In a year, in our Town, that amounts to around thirty thousand dollars in savings. That is property tax money that does not need to be budgeted for tipping fees and buried at the landfill; but much more can be done.



A couple of months ago in a similar article about recycling pictures were printed showing the amount of recyclables inside a refuse container. Sadly to say but the same situation is still evident in many of the Town's refuse containers. Many residents still dispose of recyclables in the refuse container.

Every time recyclables are placed inside a refuse container these materials are buried at the landfill. The Town pays for their burials from your property taxes, your money. The buried materials can not be reused making necessary the mining of raw materials.

The less recycling the more money needed for disposal. The more money needed for disposal increases the need for property tax increases. Less recycling increases the need for raw materials which must be mined from our nation and the world with a potential increase for environmental damaging situations.



So what is **unacceptable** and what is **acceptable** for recycling on Wednesdays:

## Unacceptable:

Auto parts	Medical waste	Light /Fluorescent bulbs
Mirrors Bubble wrap	Motor oil containers	Packing foam or "peanuts"
Windowpanes	Hazardous materials	Plastic wrap and bags

**Please rinse all food and beverage containers prior to placing them in the container**

## Acceptable:

**All of these materials can be placed inside one container(yellow or blue) there is no need to sort them out.**

Beverage containers	Bleach bottles	Detergent bottles	Envelopes
Milk and water jugs	Narrow neck bottles	Wrapping paper	Kraft paper
Telephone books	Shredded papers	Catalogs	Yogurt containers
Computer paper	Corrugated cardboard	Aluminum pie plates/trays	Paper grocery bags
File folders	Glossy inserts/ junk mail	Margarine containers	Aluminum bottles
Magazines	Hard & soft covered books	Paper board (cereal boxes)	Newspaper
Office paper of any color			

## Electronics:

All must be placed by the curb on Wednesdays.

## **ANOTHER RECYLCING TIP:**

OPT OUT, Stop the Delivery of Printed Telephone Books to your home - **contact**  
**[www.yellowpagesgoesgreen.org](http://www.yellowpagesgoesgreen.org)**



## Community Bulletin Board

**Cheverly Day 2009**—Cheverly Day will be held all day on SATURDAY, JUNE 6 at the Community Center. There will NOT be a parade or a dance. We tentatively hope to have a 5K race/2K walk on Saturday morning, as well as the East-West softball game and all of your favorites. NEXT PLANNING MEETING is Tuesday, Feb.10 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall. PLEASE COME OUT AND HELP US ORGANIZE 2009 - Cheverly Day cannot succeed without your ideas, energy and work.

### **Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek**

**(FLBC)** Saturday, February 28, 9 am - noon. We will be removing wisteria and other invasive plants from the Magruder (Cheverly) spring just off Cheverly Ave. Meet 9 am by Cheverly sign on Cheverly Ave. For information, or to be put on FLBC email list, contact Joani Horchler at 301-773-9671 or email [horcpool97@aol.com](mailto:horcpool97@aol.com).

### **Cheverly Weekday Nursery/Mother's Day**

**Out** - Saturday, February 28, 10:00am-noon, Cheverly United Methodist Church's Fogle Hall for a rock 'n' roll Saturday morning! Cheverly's very own Beatles cover band, Soul Revolver. Bring your little kids, teens, aunts, uncles and grandparents! Admission is just \$5 (a tax-deductible donation) snacks will be available for purchase. For information visit: [www.cheverlynurseryschools.com](http://www.cheverlynurseryschools.com)

### **Cheverly United Methodist Church -**

Please join us for a **Chili Supper** at Cheverly United Methodist Church! It will be held on Wednesday, February 4th, 5:30-7:30pm. Chili, cornbread, salad, desserts and drinks will be served. The costs are \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children 4-12, and children under 4 are free.

**Cheverly Weekday Nursery School** will begin accepting applications on Feb. 24, for the September 2009 school year. This five day preschool program located at Cheverly United Methodist offers developmentally appropriate activities for children ages 3-5 yrs. Several daily options available. For information contact the school 301-773-2297 or visit - [CheverlyNurserySchools.com](http://CheverlyNurserySchools.com)

**Progressive Cheverly** - Please join us on Friday, February 6th at 7:30pm for a Community Forum with our state representatives, Senator Harrington and Delegates Ivey, Niemann and Ramirez. The 2009 General Assembly session is underway and this is your chance to hear from your representatives, ask questions and raise concerns. The forum will take place in the Judith Hoyer Early Education Center Cafeteria, 2300 Bellevue Ave.

**Cheverly History Club** - February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM in the Community Center. We will be working on projects for Cheverly Day – a Cheverly history timeline and a historical site walking tour. If you are interested and can't make the meeting, please send your thoughts and ideas to [cheverlyhistoryclub@verizon.net](mailto:cheverlyhistoryclub@verizon.net).

**Cheverly Woman's Club** - HOW CAN EACH OF US HELP PRESIDENT OBAMA CREATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.'S BELOVED COMMUNITY? Wednesday, February 18, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. American Legion Post #108 (3608 Legion Place & Cheverly Avenue) All ages - Bring your family, Dinner will be served

**The St Ambrose Men's Club** - will host the Annual "Joe Conto" Spaghetti Dinner, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 3:00 to 6:00pm. Everyone is invited, come spend an afternoon with your neighbors. Tickets can be purchased for \$15 prior to the event by contacting the Rectory at (301) 773-9300.

Please join **Cheverly Advocates for Public Schools (CAPS)** for our meeting, Wednesday, February 25, 7:30-8:30 pm in Town Hall. All welcome, babysitting provided (for those attending meeting only) Thank you Delegate Jolene Ivy for her generous donation of a Md Inaugural Ball ticket which she auctioned off to benefit CAPS.

**Cheverly Green Plan** Meeting Monday, February 2, 2009: 7:30-9:00 p.m. Cheverly Community Center, Conference Room, Monthly meeting to report on progress on the Cheverly Green Plan and plan next steps. All Cheverly residents, organizations and businesses are welcome. For more information on the Cheverly Green Plan, please visit: <http://cheverlygreenplan.googlepages.com/home>.

**Presentation on Economic Growth and the Environment** Wednesday, February 11, 2009; 7:30 p.m. Judith P. Hoyer Early Education Center, 2300 Bellevue Ave

### **Cheverly Great Backyard Bird Count Public Hikes**

Saturday & Sunday, February 14 & 15, 2009; 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.



**Help for Homeowners -** The following resources may be able to help if you're having problems making your mortgage payments.

**The Federal Housing Administration** offers refinancing options that can help people who owe more on their mortgage than their home is worth. Lenders in the FHASecure program voluntarily agree to forgive any mortgage debt that exceeds 90 percent of the current appraisal value on the home, so the homeowner can refinance into an FHA-guaranteed loan (see [www.fha.gov](http://www.fha.gov) for details).

**A Housing-counseling agency** approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov)) can help you work with your lender and find out about your options.

**The HOPE NOW Alliance** ([www.hopenow.com](http://www.hopenow.com); 888-995-4673) can help homeowners who are on the verge of foreclosure.

**The Department of Commerce's** *EconomicRecovery.gov* provides great resources to help avoid financial troubles.

## How to Cut Energy Costs in the Winter

Here's one way to cut your expenses during these challenging economic times: Lower your energy costs. These steps can help you save money this winter.

**Lower the temperature.** Every degree you lower your home's temperature will cut 5 percent from your heating bill. An Energy Star programmable thermostat, which costs about \$70, saves more than twice its price within a year. (visit [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov) for more information and special offers.)

**Wrap your water heater.** Those built before 2004 tend to have poor insulation, which wastes energy and boosts costs. An insulating jacket costs \$20 to \$30 and can save 10 percent on your water-heating bill year after year.

**Insulate your home.** Stop heating the outdoors. Weatherstripping doors, sealing windows, and adding more insulation to your attic can save up to 20 percent on heating costs. See the government's Energy Star Home Sealing Program ([www.energystar.gov/homesealing](http://www.energystar.gov/homesealing)).

## CHEVERLY PARKING ZONES

**REMINDER:** If you have not renewed your parking sticker yet, please do so as soon as possible to avoid parking tickets. The 2009 stickers are available at the **POLICE DEPARTMENT**.

Bring your current **REGISTRATION**. Your car must be registered at your Cheverly address. **The parking stickers cost \$2.**

**See list below for restricted parking zones in Cheverly.**

ZONE	STREET	BLOCKS
1	61st Ave.	1700, 1800
	62nd Ave.	1700, 1800
	64th Ave.	1800
	State Street	ALL
2	Cheverly Ave.	2600
	Euclid St.	6000
3	Cheverly Ave.	2200, 2300, 2400
4	Arbor St.	ALL
	Crestlawn	ALL
	Parkway	2200, 2300
5	Bellevue	2300
6	Lake Ave.	2300, 2400, 2500
	Benton Road	ALL
7	Valleyway	2400
8	Bellevue	3300
	Jason	5600
	Lockwood Rd.	5600, 5700, 5900
	Medical Terrace	5900
	Tremont	3200, 3300
SR	Cheverly Ave.	2200-east side

## **WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS**



Information and preparation are critical in preventing winter weather accidents. The day before was warm, the evening just before bed was just right, the weather forecaster never saw it, but the morning surprises us with either a blanket of snow and/or a sheet of ice. We failed to be informed but are we prepared to understand the challenge or challenges of the day ahead? Does the Town have a policy for this situation?

The policy and Town ordinance that follows this introduction has been in effect for many years and has worked for all residents. If you are new and/or have forgotten some of its regulations take the time to read them again to ensure compliance and assure that our public roads and sidewalks are safe for us, our friends and visitors.

### ***TOWN CODE - Sec. 27-10—Parking***

**A snow emergency shall exist whenever snow has accumulated on the streets to a depth of one (1) inch or more.** The provisions of this subsection shall be effective without any notification and shall remain in effect until the street is plowed; provided, however, that when snow shall accumulate to a depth of one inch or more after 11:00PM, the provisions of this subsection shall not be effective until 7:00AM the day following and shall remain in effect until the street is plowed.



### **PARKING RESTRICTIONS:**

**During a snow emergency no person shall park any vehicle as follows:**

- On the cul-de-sac portion of any street,
- On any courts,
- On the even-numbered side of all streets,
- **(exception)** On the odd-numbered side of 59th Avenue, and one block of Inwood Street between Cheverly Avenue & Bellevue Avenue.

**NOTE:** The snow emergency parking restrictions do not override existing no-parking zones or apply to streets where enforcement would disallow all parking because of a no-parking zone, or to streets with any barrier or strip dividing lanes of traffic.

**PRIORITIES:** The snow removal operations work under the following priorities: 1.) Cheverly Avenue 2.) principal connecting streets: Forest Road, Crest Avenue, Valleyway, Greenleaf Road, 62nd Avenue, State Street, Schuster Drive; 3.) all other streets.

### ***TOWN CODE Sec. 18-4.1—SIDEWALKS***

Whenever snow accumulates to a depth of one inch or more, it is the duty of each occupant to clear the snow from the sidewalk adjacent to that property, within 12 hours after the snow ceases, (unless at night, in which case it shall be removed within 12 hours after sunrise). Snow and ice removed from sidewalks shall NOT be deposited on streets or other sidewalks. When ice forms on sidewalks, occupant shall place sand, ashes or other such material on sidewalks within 6 hours, (unless at night, in which case it can be spread by noon of the next day).



Icy spots on public property can be reported to Public Works at **301-773-2666**.

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**TRASH PICKUP ADJUSTMENTS  
DUE TO WINTER STORMS:**

\* When weather makes it unsafe to operate the trash trucks on the street, collection may be temporarily suspended.

\* Back or side door pickups


\* WILL NOT be made when

\* heavy snow conditions prevail.

\* Please bring your trash to

\* the curb.

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## **WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS** *cont'd*

Please note that there are times that public works snow and ice activities may impact property found within the "right of way." These are the areas known as our roads, the tree planting strip and other similar developer designated public spaces for the installation utilities with or without improvements.

When and if this impact results in a claim for property damage the following guidelines apply:

1. A claim can only be made if the damage is the result of an actual physical contact with the snow plow. For example a claim cannot be made if a mailbox is damaged or destroyed due and/or as a result of the weight of the snow being moved by the snow plow.
2. During the ordinary course of removing snow and/or ice damage can occur to plantings found within the "right of way." Claims can not be made for damages to planting on the "right of way."
3. Parking all vehicles of the Town's roads is strongly encouraged and parking in accordance to the Town's ordinance is the law. If the equipment used for snow and or ice removal cannot safely access the road, the services will be delayed until adequate access is available.

Snow and ice removal activities seldom cause damage to private property outside the "right of way." However, all reported claims of damage resulting from the department's snow and ice removal operations will be fully investigated and liability will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

### **SAFETY REMINDER:**

We ask residents to remember that your neighbors who walk to Metro, or children walking to school, and the hard working Mail Carriers are exposed to dangerous conditions when sidewalks are not cleared in a timely manner. Failure to comply with Town Code could result in fines.



## **PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES**

Refuse must be on the curbs and/or inside trash cans and for those receiving backdoor service - no later than 7 AM. (Quite often phone calls are received after the truck and/or the backdoor collector has finished the daily task, stating that the trash collector failed to collect and/or go to the back of the property.

Yard waste - leaves - clippings - Christmas trees - brush sticks, need to be at the curb by 7:00 AM on Monday's (if Monday is a holiday—then the following day) yard waste needs to be tied and bundled and/or in containers - Yard waste should not be placed by the curb any other day.

The leaf collection equipment has been damaged several times because residents rake & mix the leaves by the curb with - big sticks - rocks - bricks - glass and pieces of metal as well as other similar hard debris.

Per street address, vacuuming of leaves will end on Feb. 7, 2009. Thereafter, leaves should not be raked to the curb as they may block a nearby storm drain. After the 7th, leaves need to be containerized and/or placed in plastic bags that can be purchased at Public Works and/or Town Hall for \$5.00 (We will be fine cleaning curbs—parks and bump outs until the 19th)

The Public Works Staff thanks all the residents for their expressions of appreciation received during the recent holiday season. Thanks for the - cookies - cakes - food and the cards received wishing us well.



## Meetings & Events

Tue Feb 10 7:00 PM Planning Board  
 Wed Feb 11 7:00 PM C-Pact Meeting  
 Thu Feb 12 8:00 PM **TOWN MEETING**  
 Mon Feb 16 **PRESIDENTS DAY - Closed-NO TRASH PICKUP**  
 Tue Feb 24 7:00 PM REC Council  
 Thu Feb 28 7:00 PM **WORKSESSION**

Recreation Council sponsored MNCPPC classes held at the Community Center Gym:

NOTE: When schools close due to inclement weather, the gym and Community Center are closed as well.

### CHEVERLY WEBSITE

[www.cheverly-md.gov](http://www.cheverly-md.gov)

You can now easily contact the Mayor & Council through their town email accounts. There are also links at the Mayor & Council page of the website.

[mayor@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:mayor@cheverly-md.gov)  
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### TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

<b>MON</b>	<b>Town Wide</b>	<b>YARD WASTE</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>East side</b>	<b>Regular Garbage Pickup only</b>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>West side</b>	<b>Regular Garbage Pickup only</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>Town wide</b>	<b>RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins)</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>East side</b>	<b>Garbage &amp; <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb)</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>West side</b>	<b>Garbage &amp; <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb)</b>

Remember **BAMBOO** is picked up on Thur or Fri w/special trash (cut into 4' lengths, tied & bundled)

Residents should place trash at the curb after 7:00 PM the day before pickup.

Trash must be placed in cans w/tight fitting lids to ward off rodents.

**HOLIDAYS?** Public Works crews DO NOT work on holidays.

Collections on holidays are **CANCELLED**.

REMEMBER: **ELECTRONICS** are picked up on Wed. with your recycling.

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Mayor:	Julia Mosley	301-773-7891
Ward 1:	Mike Callahan	301-772-3197
Ward 2:	Micah Watson	240-603-9366
Ward 3:	RJ Eldridge	301-773-7828
Ward 4:	Leon Schachter	301-772-6244
Ward 5:	Vernell Johnson	240-398-9251
Ward 6:	Vincent L. Ford	301-341-0810

Email contact links at the website

#### Town Offices: (Mon-Fri, 9AM-5PM)

Administration	301-773-8360
Police Admin & Code Enforcement	301-341-1055
Public Works (M-F: 7:30-4)	301-773-2666
Maryland Relay	711
FAX	301-773-0173
If you need a Police Officer call:	301-333-4000
WEB SITE: <a href="http://www.cheverly-md.gov">www.cheverly-md.gov</a>	
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